#### **MEETING #2 January 13**

At a Regular Meeting of the Madison County Board of Supervisors on January 13, 2009 at 3:00 p.m. in the Madison County Administrative Center Auditorium:

PRESENT: Eddie Dean, Chairman, Eddie Dean

James L. Arrington, Vice-Chairman

William L. Crigler, Member

Bob Miller, Member Clark Powers, Member

V. R. Shackelford, III, County Attorney Lisa A. Robertson, County Administrator

Jacqueline S. Frye, Secretary

Chairman, Eddie Dean called the meeting to order and announced that a Quorum was present.

#### IN RE: ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING PROCESS

Chairman, Eddie Dean then proceeded to the Organizational Meeting Process and turned the process over to V. R. Shackelford, III, County Attorney.

V. R. Shackelford, III, County Attorney, asked for clarification as to whether the Madison County Board of Supervisors wanted to continue in the same manner as in 2008 when the Board decided to allow the Officer and Committee appointments to run for one (1) year or until a successor is elected with the intent to have the Organization Meeting during the Board's first Regular Meeting during January of each year rather than the first business day after the New Year, to which it was deemed to be the consensus of the Madison County Board of Supervisors.

V. R. Shackelford, III, County Attorney, then opened the floor for nominations for Chair(man).

After discussion, James L. Arrington nominated himself for Chairman of the Madison County Board of Supervisors and there was no second.

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V. R. Shackelford, III, County Attorney, asked if thee were any further nominations for Chair (man).

After discussion, on motion of Clark Powers, seconded by William L.

Crigler, Eddie Dean was nominated for Chair (man) of the Madison County Board of Supervisors.

V. R. Shackelford, III, County Attorney, then closed the floor for further nominations.

Eddie Dean	Aye
James L. Arrington	Aye
William L. Crigler	Aye
Bob Miller	Aye
Clark Powers	Aye

V. R. Shackelford, III, County Attorney, then opened the floor to vote on the nomination of Eddie Dean as Chairman of the Madison County Board of Supervisors, with the following vote recorded:

Eddie Dean	Aye
James L. Arrington	Aye
William L. Crigler	Aye
Bob Miller	Aye
Clark Powers	Aye

V. R. Shackelford, III, County Attorney, turned the floor over to Chairman, Eddie Dean to proceed with the election of a Vice-Chairman of the Madison County Board of Supervisors.

Chairman, Eddie Dean thanked his fellow Board members for electing him Chairman of the Madison County Board of Supervisors.

Chairman, Eddie Dean then opened the floor for nominations for Vice-Chair (man) of the Madison County Board of Supervisors.

After discussion, on motion of Clark Powers, seconded by William L. Crigler, James L. Arrington was nominated as Vice-Chair (man) of the Madison County Board of Supervisors, with the following vote recorded:

Eddie Dean	Aye
James L. Arrington	Aye
William L. Crigler	Aye
Bob Miller	Aye
Clark Powers	Aye

Chairman, Eddie Dean suggested the Board move forward with the departmental portion of today's meeting and return to designate committee assignments.

V. R. Shackelford, III, County Attorney, advised the Board of the need to establish meeting dates for 2009.

Chairman, Eddie Dean asked the Board members if there was any desire to change designated meeting dates.

After discussion, on motion of James L. Arrington, seconded by William L. Crigler, the Board established the 2009 Meeting schedule as denoted:

#### 2008 Meetings

<u>Date:</u> 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday each month--Joint Meeting with Planning Commission

Time: begins at 7:30 p.m.

<u>Location:</u> Auditorium, Administrative Center, 414 N. Main Street, Madison

<u>Date:</u> 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of each month--Regular Board of Supervisors' Meeting

Time: afternoon session begins at 3:00 p.m.; break for dinner; reconvene at 7:30 p.m.

<u>Public comment</u>: (i) 4:00 p.m.; (ii) end of afternoon session; (iii) 7:30 p.m. Location: Auditorium, Administrative Center, 414 N. Main Street, Madison

<u>Date:</u> Last Thursday of each month--Board of Supervisors' Workshop Meeting

Time: begins at 2:00 p.m.

Location: Board Office Conference room, 302 Thrift Road, Madison

With the following vote recorded:

Eddie Dean	Aye
James L. Arrington	Aye
William L. Crigler	Aye
Bob Miller	Aye
Clark Powers	Aye

#### **IN RE: VACO (Virginia Association of Counties)**

Donald Hart, President of VACo, from Accomack County, Virginia was present and thanked the Board for the opportunity to speak at today's meeting and stated that he wanted Madison County to be one of the first localities that he'd visit; he also brought greetings from the residents of Accomack County, Virginia and the representatives from VACO.

Donald Hart wanted to express the importance of Madison County to the State of Virginia and VACO, as are the other ninety-four (94) counties with 550 supervisors in the State of Virginia; he stated the organization is stronger and can accomplish more when there is unity; he also stated if Madison County needs or wants something from Richmond, need something from VACO or Washington, D.C., there are

ninety-four (94) counties that will stand with you during his term as President and he wanted to express the importance of the factor. Additionally, as President, Mr. Hart would like to do the following:

- 1) Have a close relationship with all ninety-five (95) Counties;
- 2) To be accessible to all ninety-five (95) Counties;
- 3) Wants the Counties to know who their President is for this year;
- 4) Keep VACO a highly professional organization, working to achieve success rather than failure;

Donald Hart stated meetings have begun with the House of Delegates, Senate and Governor; not much is getting accomplished, therefore VACO offered to mediate AND the offer was accepted although it is unknown as to what will come of this venture. Additionally, it is felt the State governmental offices need to work through their differences with compromises in order to find solutions to all of the existing issues; he advised that one of his concerns is the unfunded mandates at the state and federal level — it is anticipated that something will happen to resolve this concern. He also stated VACO hopes these types of mandates will be eliminated at the state and federal level; also of concern is the equalization of powers/rights between Counties, Cities and Towns — Counties are discriminated against as the smallest of Towns has more power and rights than Counties and Cities and Towns don't have to get permission to come before the General Assembly as is the case with Counties. Therefore, VACO believes the "playing field" should be equal and this is an issue that will continue to be fought within the State government.

In closing, Donald Hart advised that meetings have been initiated with congressmen, senators, President Bush's Administration and also President Elect Obama's Administration – VACO is trying to ensure he economic stimulus packages start at the bottom and work upward rather than starting at the top and going to the bottom. In effect, Donald Hart feels that Madison County citizens and the Madison County Board of Supervisors know what's best for Madison County whereas outsiders have no idea as to what projects need to be completed immediately and what can wait; therefore, attempts will be made to get the State to focus from the "bottom up." Additionally, President Elect Barak Obama mentioned this factor during his last speech

so it is anticipated that funds will not be left @ the state level but rather to the Counties. Also, the Board and citizens of Madison County are much more effective at stimulating Madison's economy than somebody from the District of Columbia. He also suggested the Board pass along any concerns to the Congressman as it may make a big different. Additionally, he asked the Board to keep abreast of the benefits and services offered by VACO regarding communications (i.e. emails are free) to alert on federal/state information, updates as to what other Counties are up to, and there is no cost; he also advised that VACO has procurement contracts all over the State of Virginia with many companies – if Madison County needs anything (i.e. borrowing money, school supplies, equipment, vehicles, construction, roof repairs, etc.) he strongly suggested the County check with VACO before preparing an RFP as VACO has already done the process (i.e. bidding, RFP's) and also have the price in hand which will not only save time, but also money as the price is very good. He also encouraged the Madison County Board of Supervisors to participate in the meeting process, as the State needs to know what Madison County thinks – he feels representation at the meeting(s) will be an asset to Madison County as there will be a voice for Madison County. Current committees include:

- 1) Transportation
- 2) Education
- 3) Administrative Government
- 4) Community Development
- 5) Agriculture
- 6) Environmental
- 7) Finance
- 8) Health
- 9) Human Services
- 10) Utilities & Telecommunications

In closing, Donald Hart advised if there is a topic of interest to Madison County, it will be beneficial to have representation for Madison County. He thanked the Board for allowing him to speak at today's session, and strongly urged the Board to feel free to contact VACO if there are any areas of need, concerns and/or criticisms.

Chairman, Eddie Dean thanked Donald Hart for attending and wished him a great year as President of VACO.

#### IN RE: VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Donald Gore, Resident Engineer, was present and stated he received information regarding increased budget cuts throughout the departmental budget although he is unsure as to how such cuts will effect the Six Year Road Improvement Plan to date; also advised there is consideration being given to pull \$4 million in state dollars from the budget to be contributed toward the obligation to get federal funds; he also stated advertisement of Route 642 has been delayed to due budgetary cuts until December 2009 (pending remaining budgetary funds).

Donald Gore stated there has been a Public Hearing annually on the Six Year Road Improvement Plan along with the Budget Public Hearing – he advised that localities are only required to hold the Six Year Road Improvement Plan Public Hearing every two (2) years although a Budget Plan Public Hearing must be held annually; therefore, he suggested the County not hold a Six Year Road Improvement Plan this year (as a result of decreased funding) unless the County insists otherwise – a Budget Plan Public Hearing will still need to be held sometime in May 2009.

Donald Gore stated there is much concern over Tuesday and the traffic that will be coming through Virginia as a result of the Inauguration; he advised there will be no roadway work performed on Route 29 on Tuesday, January 20, 2009 or anywhere in Madison or Culpeper other than assisting with opening roadways in the event there are issues that will need to be addressed by the Virginia Department of Transportation; meetings have been scheduled later in the week to make sure the department is ready to assist if needed.

In closing, Donald Gore advised that he looked at the roadway abandonment request by the Von Raab family (Route 619) and he met with Mr. Von Raab and his son – it appears the 310 feet he wishes to abandon is agreed and accepted by the Virginia Department of Transportation; he stated there was an issue some years ago during which time someone had to enter the Von Raab's gate in order to access their property and he believes the family has purchased all the property near that end of the roadway; he advised Lisa Robertson, County Administrator, that he will work with the County in

getting information from the Virginia Code that addressed abandonment requests (sketches are being completed by Anthony Clatterbuck of the Virginia Department of Transportation). Additionally, he advised that a Public Hearing will need to be scheduled for public informational purposes and a letter will be needed from the Madison County Board of Supervisors requesting the request be added to the Rural Additional Program (currently \$53,000.000 in the fund) and it is estimated it will cost about \$300,000.00 to perform requested work) – this along with five percent of the construction budget will require quite a bit of time for the work to be completed. He advised there are other avenues in which funding can be attained (i.e. the County can put up some funding; landowners that reside on the roadway can put up some funding [process noted in section 33.1-72.1 of the Virginia Code]); the County will also need to attain the right-of-way (i.e. plats might show right-of-way lines, but question will be who owns the right-of-way, property owner or developer)].

William L. Crigler asked who is responsible for checking the aforementioned information, to which Donald Gore advised it will be the County's responsibility to collect the data; the GIS map contradicts where the actual road is located as the plat shows the road down on each side of the lot whereas the GIS map shows the road going through Lot 20-19 – he feels the GIS map indicates and error.

Lisa Robertson, County Administrator, stated if the roadway was brought in as a rural addition, the work will need to be performed by the same standards that apply for classification as a rural addition.

Donald Gore advised the same procedures will need to be in place as was implemented at Happy Hills Subdivision, which could only be brought in as a rural addition once funds were in place.

- V. R. Shackelford, III, County Attorney, questioned the title certification, to which Donald Gore advised he thought this would need to be in place, however, this concern will need to be investigated.
- V. R. Shackelford, III, County Attorney, also asked who will be responsible for payment of all advertising (i.e. Virginia Department of Transportation, Madison County or the property owner) and what guidelines are currently in place.

Donald Gore stated that he conversed with Mr. von Raab a few days ago (property owner was erecting a gate that needed to be discontinued) and advised him that a turnaround point would need to be constructed at the property owner's expense (landowner); also he advised he felt all financial responsibility for advertisements should be at the expense of the property owner since it is his request and not the County taxpayers. Additionally, he stated the area is almost 310' – although the area will need to be re-measured – he also explained the procedures to be implemented (turnaround point will be before the private gate and will be state maintained) and a sketch will be provided shortly by the Virginia Department of Transportation.

James L. Arrington asked if the turnaround point will require the taking of any private property, to which Donald Gore also stated it will require a 50' x 50' square block of the von Raab's property; the owner has been made aware of this issue and are in agreement with these terms.

James L. Arrington informed Donald Gore that Carl Knickman wants to meet to discuss where a sign can be placed on a state maintained roadway.

Donald Gore stated that Mr. Knickman did contact the Virginia Department of Transportation for permission to erect a sign on state maintained right-of-way; however, in order to accomplish this task, he has asked the Department to cut some trees and this cannot be accomplished by the Department; however, the resident can be issued a permit to cut his own trees (not at the expense of taxpayers) – he will contact the resident again and explain the options that are available to him.

William L. Crigler asked if the state cut funding that is applied for snow removal, to which Donald Gore advised that no cuts were implemented.

#### IN RE: PAYROLL & CLAIMS

Chairman, Eddie Dean asked if there were any concerns about the Payroll & Claims Report as presented for December 2008.

James L. Arrington asked if the Kemper Project is completed and if the unused funding will be kept on hand; he also questioned an entry for the Madison Transfer Station.

Lisa Robertson, County Administrator, stated the Kemper Project is completed and the unused funds are in the Capital Fund and can be reallocated.

Chairman, Eddie Dean stated the entry for the Madison Transfer Station didn't occur during the past month, but was an expenditure for November 2008; however, Teresa Miller, Finance Director, advised that she will have to go back to see what the entry was for and report at a later date.

After discussion, on motion of Bob Miller, seconded by James L. Arrington, the warrants issued in satisfaction of payroll for December 2008 (Checks #30110454-465, #30110466-475 and electronic transfer #19), are hereby approved, with the following vote recorded:

Eddie Dean	Aye
James L. Arrington	Aye
William L. Crigler	Aye
Bob Miller	Aye
Clark Powers	Aye

On motion of Bob Miller, seconded by James L. Arrington, the warrants issued in satisfaction of claims against the County for December 2008 (Checks #10129661-744; 748-867) are hereby approved, with the following vote recorded:

Eddie Dean	Aye
James L. Arrington	Aye
William L. Crigler	Aye
Bob Miller	Aye
Clark Powers	Aye

Chairman, Eddie Dean advised the Board will need to approve the certificate of Claims Capital Fund – December 2008 – [Checks 10129662; 745-747; 868-871).

On motion of James L. Arrington, seconded by Bob Miller, the Certificate of Claims Capital Fund – December 2008, are hereby approved, with the following vote recorded:

Eddie Dean	Aye
James L. Arrington	Aye
William L. Crigler	Aye
Bob Miller	Aye
Clark Powers	Aye

Chairman, Eddie Dean advised the Board will need to approve Supplements for December 2008:

1. Park & Recreation #71100-5690

Youth Sports Deposits

\$ 3,914.25

2.	Park & Recreation #71100-5690	Health Fitness Deposits	\$ 288.71
3.	Sheriff Dept – Law Enfor.	JAG Grants	\$ 1,061.00
	#31200-8104	(State Farm Child Safety)	
4.	Extension	Mean Reimbursement	\$ 172.50
	#83500-6001		
		<b>Total Departments:</b>	\$ 5,436.46
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#### TOTAL (General Fund Supplements January 2009) \$19,205.60

After discussion, on motion of James L. Arrington, seconded by William L. Crigler, the supplemental appropriations in the amount of \$19,205.60 were approved as presented, with the following vote recorded:

Eddie Dean Aye
James L. Arrington Aye
William L. Crigler Aye
Bob Miller Aye
Clark Powers Aye

#### IN RE: MADISON COUNTY SCHOOLS

Dr. Brenda Tanner, Superintendent, provided the Board members with an approved school calendar with a start date in 2009 of August 19<sup>th</sup>; also advised that staff recognitions were made; she also stated work will continue on the school budget and noted that drastic state fund reductions are being implemented – attended a meeting in Richmond on 12/19/08 and was advised that state funds will be decreased for \$900,000.00 (to date) (i.e. pertaining to projected decline in student enrollment [ this year's budget was built on an average enrollment of 1840 – numbers at the end of December 2008 were 1828] which will equate to a lower number to be utilized to base the budget figures; however when looking at the \$900,000.00 reduction in funds, this will include many categorical programs (i.e. aide reduction, removal of lottery fund and all school construction funding).

Dr. Tanner stated conversations have been held with Delegate Ed Scott and Senator Edd Houck regarding budgetary reductions which have been verbalized to be permanent. To date, no final figures have been received on federal funds, but the School district is compiling a budget based on current information and will more than likely lead to staff reductions for the school system (i.e. 15 or more employee positions that will be eliminated during the upcoming school year.)

In closing, Dr. Tanner asked if Wednesday, January 21<sup>st</sup> will be a good date to schedule a joint meeting between the Madison County Board of Supervisors and the Madison County School Board from 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. at the Wetsel Middle School Library.

Lisa Robertson, County Administrator, advised the meeting could possibly take place just before the Madison County Planning Commission workshop session.

After discussion, the Board accepted the meeting date of Wednesday, January 21<sup>st</sup> from 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. at the Wetsel Middle School Library.

Dr. Tanner stated the purpose of the meeting will be to provide the Madison County Board of Supervisors with budgetary items the Madison County School Board is compiling; she also advised that school will only take place for half day on Wednesday and Thursday (1/14 & 1/15) and school will not be in session on Friday (1/16) and Monday (1/19) in observance for the upcoming holidays.

#### IN RE: MADISON CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Tracey Williams, Tourism Director, was present and provided a report for the month of December 2008; first Board meeting is scheduled for January 19<sup>th</sup>; receive first proof for the Ready Reference and sent out to members – in process of making requested changes to finalize; also working on newsletter for small business development center; attended BMMSP meetings & distributed minutes; chamber volunteers are helping coordinate the Town Shopping/dining/services guide; did quarterly reports and end of year items; in process of collecting annual dues; collected/distributed toys, clothing and other items to seven (7) County families this year; planning next business expo for May 21<sup>st</sup>; there will be no piedmont job fair due to lack of business; Boys & Girls Club will be opening to 5<sup>th</sup> graders; visitors center had 35 visits in December – website had 5,172 hits;

Taste of the Mountains applications are coming in; website will be updated to display a schedule of events for 2009.

#### IN RE: MADISON E-911 CENTER

Robert Finks, E-911 Coordinator, provided a report for the month of December 2008: [(535) calls; year end totals for 2008 were as follows: (6,596) E911 calls; (3,432) from home phones; (2,388) from cell phones - up from 2007 of about (300); all else is basically in line; auto accidents for the year was (421); total animal calls (1,059); rescue calls (1,326); (220) cell; (304) home; (22) alarm calls; auto accident calls were down during the month but very much in line with usual numbers.

William L. Crigler asked if the alarm calls were continuous, to which Robert Finks advised they come in spurts; however, he has only had to give a couple of warnings as there haven't been a string of alarm calls for the same property owners within a three-month period – calls have actually decreased during the past year – most alarm calls are a result of weather (storms) or accidental setting off.

#### IN RE: EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT SERVICES:

Carl Pumphrey, Emergency Management Services Director, was present and provided a report for the month of December 2008; he also stated the personnel accountability system has been completed and a training session will be held with fire department personnel tomorrow – will see if the volunteer rescue squad can become activated during the upcoming month; he also provided highlights as to precautions/procedures being put into place for the upcoming Inauguration and the potential impact of increased transportation (i.e. 1-4 million people are predicted to attend) which may create a twenty-mile back-up on the main interstates and through to Richmond, Virginia (i.e. Interstates 64 & 81). Additionally, he has been in touch with personnel in the Virginia Department of Transportation and a meeting will be held on Thursday to discuss what procedures will be established – also provided an overview of which areas the local Virginia Department of Transportation will be overseeing.

William L. Crigler questioned how emergency responses will be handled in the event of heavy traffic flow and congestion, to which Carl Pumphrey, Emergency Services Coordinator, advised there will probably be plans to utilize opposite sides of the main interstate roadway.

Carl Pumphrey, Emergency Services Coordinator, also stated updates on the road status will be conducted on an hourly basis.

#### IN RE: EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES

Lewis Jenkins, EMS Coordinator, was present and provided statistics for the month; he advised a new record was established with the most calls received during the month:

#### December 2008:

Total calls toned: 118; Total calls handled:108; Total calls (no response): 9 [(7) Greene calls, (2) Orange call for mutual aide assistance were not answered]; Avg. in-County response time to the scene: 11 minutes; Night coverage: (11) hours of night coverage on (14) nights; total calls handled: (14).

Informational graphs were also attached to denote calls that EMS staff have run over the past few years; department is essentially staying within a steady volume range of calls; no monthly training took place in December in order to help reduce overtime costs; several staff members did attend and pass the PALS (Pediatric Advanced Life Support) class; EMS staff and members of the Volunteer Rescue Squad helped produce a training video for the Virginia Office of EMS on hoe to handle calls involving patients needing medical care but are refusing the care.

#### IN RE: MADISON SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

Erik Weaver, Sheriff, provided the following report for December 2008:

1. Calls for service: 774

2. Criminal Arrests: 49

3. Civic ServiceProcess 3336

4. Traffic related summons: 55

5. Court days: 11

6. Court security fees (paid to the Treasurer): \$2,851.25

7. Local fines from highway safety (paid to the Treasurer): \$12,279.46

Erik Weaver, Sheriff, stated that in October 2008, the department was informed it would need to relinquish \$100,000.00 back to Madison County from the Sheriff's Office budget from 2008 – he also advised the Compensation Board is planning to cut funds from the Sheriff's Office by about ten percent (10% - \$65,000.00); therefore, Erik Weaver, Sheriff, is hoping his department can take a portion of the \$100,000.00 and use it to offset the Deputies' salaries after the funding cuts are implemented by the Compensation Board.

Additionally, Erik Weaver, Sheriff, advised there was one (1) vehicle that had to be removed from service by his department (i.e. cost of repairs is more than the vehicle is worth).

Clark Powers asked about the condition of the vehicles being utilized by the Sheriff's Department, to which Erik Weaver, Sheriff, advised that Randy Jenkins, Chief Deputy, was investigating the leasing program to determine whether the department can utilize the leasing program versus purchasing vehicles.

Additionally, Erik Weaver, Sheriff, advised the vehicle that has been removed from the fleet will be used for spare parts if needed and will not be repaired.

James L. Arrington asked if the Sheriff's Department purchased any new vehicles during the existing fiscal year, to which Erik Weaver, Sheriff, stated he did not.

Chairman, Eddie Dean advised of the rotation schedule in which vehicles have been purchased for the Madison County Sheriff's Department for the past fiscal years (October 2007, as per indicated by Erik Weaver, Sheriff).

#### IN RE: MADISON VOLUNTEER RESCUE SQUAD

William L. Crigler read the following report provided by the Madison Volunteer Rescue Squad for the month of December 2008:

Medical emergencies:

- (21) transports & (3) refusals)
- (2) no treatment required
- (1) treated, transferred care to police
- (1) treated, transferred care to Pegasus

#### MCV:

- (2) refusals
- (3) transport 4 Injury not listed [(3) transports; (1) refusal] Injury not listed: (2) transports (falls

#### Standby:

- (1) fire (cancelled)
- (2) basketball game
- (1) domestic (cancelled)
- (1) Greene county Christmas Party

#### Mutual Aid Greene:

- (1) medical transport
- (1) MVA (cancelled)
- (1) not available

#### Transport/Routine:

- (1) mental issues
- (1) attempted suicide

Total calls for the month of December 2008 - (45)

#### IN RE: PUBLIC COMMENT

Chairman, Eddie Dean opened the floor for public comment and there was none.

## IN RE: CONSIDERATION OF PROPOSED ABANDONMENT REQUEST ON ROUTE 619

Lisa Robertson, County Administrator, stated there is a memorandum that has been prepared for the Board regarding the proposed request to abandon Route 619; she provided an overview of the process (as proposed by the Von Raab Family) and stated that Betty Grayson, Zoning Administrator, has indicated the abandonment of the proposed road will not cause any problems with regard to the existing Zoning & Subdivision Ordinances for Madison County; however, it the landowner ever decided to subdivide the property, frontage will have to be rededicated to create a public right-of-way.

James L. Arrington asked if this issue would involve the neighbors or just the Von Raab Family, to which Lisa Robertson, County Administrator, stated would only involve the Von Raab Family.

Lisa Robertson, County Administrator, also advised the enclosed grid shows the first three (3) lots along Route 619 are utilized by a public roadway along the lots;

however, the abandonment will commence at the end of parcel 62-3A (both sides of the road being requested for abandonment is owned by the Von Raab's).

Chairman, Eddie Dean stated that anything prior to the aforementioned land is owned by others and the roadway for these properties will continue to exist.

Lisa Robertson, County Administrator, stated the Virginia Department of Transportation will require a turnaround point just before the Von Raab property and beyond the turnaround point will be abandoned.

Chairman, Eddie Dean stated any type of frontage for this property will only affect the Von Raab Family and none of the other property owners.

Lisa Robertson, County Administrator, stated the other property owners will no lose any land since the abandonment will only involve the property owned by the Von Raab Family.

Lisa Robertson, County Administrator, stated the Virginia Department of Transportation doesn't have any objections to the proposed request; however, in order to initiate the abandonment process, the Madison County Board of Supervisors will have to publish a notice of the request to abandon the road followed by a Public Hearing and findings will need to be established to determine the necessity for a public roadway in proposed abandonment area. After all criteria has been considered, Lisa Robertson, County Administrator, indicated notice will then need to be submitted to the Commonwealth of Virginia Transportation Board denoting Madison County's intent to endorse the abandonment and this issue will then be discussed at the next level.

V. R. Shackelford, III, County Attorney, also stated that a stature doesn't require a certificate of title, but this certification might be needed for the turnaround point. Additionally, he asked if the Madison County Board of Supervisors desires for the property owner to be responsible for all associated costs regarding the abandonment of the roadway or will the County absorb the costs.

Chairman, Eddie Dean stated it appears the landowner should absorb all costs associated with the proposed abandonment of the roadway since it is their request.

James L. Arrington questioned whether there were concerns regarding Route 619 in past years and whether these concerns might be denoted in past minutes, to which V. R. Shackelford, III, County Attorney, advised there was a past issue of state

maintained roadways and the Von Rabb's were opposed to the subdivision request that was being planned in the past; however, he doesn't feel anything will be gained by researching the minutes with regard to tonight's discussion.

V. R. Shackelford, III, County Attorney, stated the County will need to decide whether to accept the proposed abandonment request

Bob Miller questioned the grid as provided for tonight's meeting and whether there was any significance to the property that is shown (on the grid) across the river, to which Lisa Robertson, County Administrator, advised there was none.

Lisa Robertson, County Administrator, also stated the four (4) lots denoted on the grid will all be served by the right-of-way.

V. R. Shackelford, III, County Attorney, stated that Betty Grayson, Zoning Administrator, has confirmed there are not more than four (4) lots along the stretch of roadway requested for abandonment.

V. R. Shackelford, III, County Attorney, also stated if the existing right-ofway is abandoned, a new right-of-way will need to be created in order to serve the lots or the property owner could combine all the lots into one large parcel.

Chairman, Eddie Dean stated the Board will need to contact the Von Raab Family to see if they are willing to absorb all financial obligations associated with the request for abandonment.

After discussion, on motion of Bob Miller, seconded by William L. Crigler, the Board agreed to move forward with the proposed abandonment request of Route 619 as submitted by Mr. William Von Raab, in the event that he (Mr. Von Raab) fully agrees to absorb all financial obligations associated with the request, with the following vote recorded:

Eddie Dean	Aye
James L. Arrington	Aye
William L. Crigler	Aye
Bob Miller	Aye
Clark Powers	Aye

#### IN RE: ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING PROCESS (Committee Assignments)

Chairman, Eddie Dean stated the Board will now take action on the Committee Assignments for 2009.

Lisa Robertson, County Administrator, advised there is a sheet in the notebooks that denotes current Committee Assignments and the reverse side can be utilized for changes to be incorporated for 2009.

After discussion, on motion of James L. Arrington, seconded by Clark Powers, the Board voted to retain the Committee Assignments from 2008 for 2009, with the following vote recorded:

Eddie Dean Aye
James L. Arrington Aye
William L. Crigler Aye
Bob Miller Aye
Clark Powers Aye

#### Madison County Board of Supervisors Organization Meeting January 13, 2009

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#### **2009** Committee and Other Service Assignments

- 1. Director of Emergency Management (must be a member of the Board *or* the County Administrator, Va. Code 44-146.19): <u>Eddie Dean</u>
- 2. County Emergency Services Advisory Committee: William L. Crigler
- 3. Planning Commission (non-voting member): Clark Powers
- 4. Rappahannock-Rapidan Regional Commission: Bob Miller, James L. Arrington
- 5. Rappahannock River Basin Committee: William L. Crigler, Bob Miller
- 6. Blue Ridge Committee for Shenandoah Nat'l Park Relations: William L. Crigler, James Ballard, Clark Powers
- 7. Greater Madison Main Street Committee: Eddie Dean, James L. Arrington
- 8. Central Virginia Regional Jail: Steve Hoffman, Eddie Dean (alt.)
- 9. Rappahannock Juvenile Detention Commission: <u>James L. Arrington, Steve</u> Hoffman (alt.)
- 10. Thomas Jefferson Area Criminal Justice Board: William L. Crigler
- 11. Rappahannock-Rapidan Disability Services Board: Bob Miller
- 12. Rappahannock-Rapidan Eldercare Coalition: Bob Miller
- 13. Workforce Planning Board (PD 9 & 10): Eddie Dean
- 14. Skyline Community Action Program (CAP) Board: William L. Crigler

- 15. Social Services Board: <u>James L. Arrington</u>
- 16. Parks & Recreation Authority: Eddie Dean, William L. Crigler
- 17. VACO Legislative Contact: <u>Lisa Robertson</u>
- 18. Thomas Jefferson EMS Council: William L. Crigler, Bob Miller
- 19. Broadband Feasibility Study Steering Committee: Bob Miller

#### COMMITTEE REPORTS (OLD BUSINESS/NEW BUSINESS)

#### **Courthouse Project:**

Lisa Robertson, County Administrator, stated the work on the project is moving along; there was a change in the assigned project manager but the site attendant is still the same person as originally assigned to the project; in the process of reviewing work and expenditures for the existing portion of work are still in the excavation phase – will come back with a report on this phase during the February 2009 meeting; additionally a new phase of construction will be initiated toward the rear of the building (steel framework) and the architect and members of the Historical Society are finalizing the details for the historic portion of the building.

James L. Arrington asked if the outside covering was in place during replacement of the brick, to which Lisa Robertson, County Administrator, advised the covering also keeps the workers warm during the replacement of materials (i.e. mortar).\

#### **Madison County Volunteer Rescue Squad**

William L. Crigler stated the Volunteer Rescue Squad members have approved a version of a truck lease program agreement and would like the County to review the document (i.e. they are investigating the process of billing Medicare for emergency medical services); a copy of the document has not yet been forward for review but will be done so shortly

#### **Endorsement of Resolution Proposed by Delegate Rob Bell:**

Lisa Robertson, County Administrator, advised that she was contacted by Delegate Rob Bell regarding a proposed Resolution to rename the bridge on the border of Madison & Greene Counties the "Adam J. Fargo & Edwin Andino Fallen Heroes Memorial Bridge."

Lisa Robertson, County Administrator, stated the original proposal was for the bridge to be renamed "The Fallen Heroes Memorial Bridge"; however, it appears the Resolution was revised this morning and it has been requested the Madison County Board of Supervisors take action on this Resolution tonight in order to Delegate Bell to bring this issue before the next session of the General Assembly.

V. R. Shackelford, III, County Attorney, asked if the bridge had a current name as he thought it was named in honor of the last flood.

Bob Miller verbalized concerns about naming a bridge in honor of fallen heroes when the conflict is still ongoing, as there might be others who will need to be recognized.

Chairman, Eddie Dean suggested the Board be sure the bridge isn't already bearing a name; although the conflict is still ongoing, he sincerely hopes there are no other members of the armed forces that will fall.

In closing, Chairman, Eddie Dean suggested the Board continue this discussion at the 7:30 p.m. session.

#### <u>Finance Committee (Appointment of Steve Grayson):</u>

Lisa Robertson, County Administrator, informed the Madison County Board of Supervisors of a proposed request by the Finance Committee of Madison County to have Steve Grayson (of Stellar One Bank in Madison County) appointed to the Committee.

Lisa Robertson, County Administrator, advised the Finance Committee of Madison County met last week and will plan to meet again within the coming week to discuss ideas.

After discussion, on motion of James L. Arrington, seconded by Clark Powers, the board voted to appoint Steve Grayson as a member of the Finance Committee (as appointed by the Madison County Board of Supervisors), with the following vote recorded:

Eddie Dean	Aye
James L. Arrington	Aye
William L. Crigler	Aye
Bob Miller	Aye
Clark Powers	Aye

Lisa Robertson, County Administrator, also advised the Finance Committee of Madison County will be providing a set of recommendations to the Madison County

Board of Supervisors for review at the Board Workshop Session scheduled for January 29, 2009.

#### **Madison Park & Recreation Authority (Committee Appointees):**

Lisa Robertson, County Administrator, advised the Madison Park & Recreation Authority have forwarded a proposed Resolution to appoint two (2) members to the Authority as the result of two (2) members resigning; although several names have been suggested, the Authority has decided on two (2) individuals to fill the unexpired terms.

## RESOLUTION APPOINTING MEMBERS OF THE MADISON COUNTY PARK AND RECREATION AUTHORITY

WHEREAS, the Madison Park and Recreation Authority was formed in 1982 by the Madison County Board of Supervisors, and the Authority consists of seven (7) members appointed by the Board to serve terms of four (4) years each; and

**WHEREAS**, two current members of the Board have resigned, and it is necessary to appoint members to serve the unexpired portion of their terms;

**NOW, THEREFORE,** the Madison County Board of Supervisors does hereby appoint the following individuals to serve on the Madison Park and Recreation Authority for the terms indicated below:

<u>Member</u>	Term Expires
Laurinda Shifflett	December 13, 2010
Gary Wise	December 13, 2010

Adopted this 13<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2009, by the Madison County Board of Supervisors, on motion of William L. Crigler, seconded by Bob Miller.

	Eddie Dean, Chairman Madison County Board of Supervisors			
	Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
Eddie Dean	X			
James L. Arrington	X			
William L. Crigler	X			
Bob Miller	X			
Clark Powers	<u>X</u>			

Attest:	
Lisa A. Robertson Madison County	n, Clerk Board of Supervisors

#### Deputy Zoning Administrator (Deputizing Building Inspector & S&E Technician)

Lisa Robertson, County Administrator, advised that Department Heads have been asked to manage their perspective departmental budgets very carefully and not to fill any new positions during the fiscal year that aren't essential.

Lisa Robertson, County Administrator, advised the only full-time position in question for this year is a Deputy Zoning Administrator to begin learning Betty Grayson's (current Zoning Administrator) job; this position was included in the budget as a part-time position. Although there are no plans to fill that position at the present time, Lisa Robertson, County Administrator, the fact remains that Betty Grayson, Zoning Administrator is in need of having someone to help with inspections and also to gain a working knowledge of the enforcement work that she does.

Lisa Robertson, County Administrator, stated at the present, there appears to be some freed time in the Building Department and she would like to utilize Dan Ward, building Inspector and Brian Daniel, Erosion & Sedimentation Technician, designed to assist the Zoning Administrator with enforcement issues and training so they can assist with investigations as needed.

In closing, Lisa Robertson, County Administrator, asked the Board to approve the usage of the Building Inspector and the Erosion & Sedimentation Technician powers as given to a Deputy Zoning Administrator in order to assist the County's Zoning Administrator with site plan and enforcement issues.

James L. Arrington asked if Wes Smith, Building Official, has any concerns about this request, to which Lisa Robertson, County Administrator, advised that Wes Smith, Building Official, and Betty Grayson, Zoning Administrator, are in full agreement of the aforementioned arrangement; additionally, from a practical manner, when either individual has to go out, these departments look out for each other in terms of zoning violations and/or building code violations. This request will allow the

individuals in the Building Office the authority to perform enforcement actions should this be necessary.

Concerns were verbalized by James L. Arrington as to whether the additional duties will result in a salary increase and Bob Miller asked if these positions will continue when the County is ready to hire a Deputy Zoning Administrator.

Lisa Robertson, County Administrator, advised that Dan Ward and Brian Daniel would be given the power to perform enforcement duties; she also advised that some localities have cross trained/authorized personnel that work together; she advised there will be no new title for these employees, but approval must approve these individuals to be delegated as "deputies" who will have the same level of authority as the Zoning Administrator.

Concerns were verbalized by William L. Crigler as to whether the individuals will be properly trained, to which Lisa Robertson, County Administrator, advised the details of this request will be worked out between all parties involved (i.e. Wes Smith, Betty Grayson & Lisa Robertson) – it is anticipated that Betty Grayson, Zoning Administrator, will be fully involved in all aspects of the paperwork and the "deputies" will be operating under her approval of all enforcement issues involved.

V. R. Shackelford, III, County Attorney, explained the concept behind the request and advised the "deputies" will follow up on complaints (i.e. inoperable vehicles on private property; excessive trash on private property; home occupations without a permit, etc.).

Lisa Robertson, County Administrator, advised that Dan Ward, Building Inspector, and Brian Daniel, Erosion & Sedimentation Technician, are already knowledgeable in their own areas of code enforcement; therefore, they already possess a certain level of enforcement and will only need to be made abreast of the criteria contained in the County's Zoning Ordinance, which will basically be a matter of "learning as you go." Additionally, Betty Grayson, Zoning Administrator, will be available to guide them along – training will be a "work in progress.

After discussion, on motion of Bob Miller, seconded by William L. Crigler, the Board authorized Dan Ward, Building Inspector, and Brian Daniel, Erosion & Sedimentation Technician, be authorized to assist Betty Grayson, Zoning Administrator,

by serving as "Deputy Zoning Administrators" in order to assist with zoning enforcement action(s), with the following vote recorded:

Eddie Dean	Aye
James L. Arrington	Nay
William L. Crigler	Aye
Bob Miller	Aye
Clark Powers	Aye

William L. Crigler stated the individuals in question are certified with building code issues and wondered if this certification would be sufficient, to which Lisa Robertson, County Administrator, advised that in all actuality, Betty Grayson, Zoning Administrator, learned her job "by doing" – there is no special certification for the position of a Zoning Administrator. Additionally, Lisa Robertson, County Administrator, feels that Dan Ward (Building Inspector) and Brian Daniel (Erosion & Sedimentation Technician) are more qualified that whomever the County may ultimately hire in the future to be the Deputy Zoning Administrator with the exception the individual has previous zoning knowledge from another locality.

## Commission of the Revenue (Ordinance for Tax Relief for the Elderly & Handicapped Persons

Lisa Robertson, County Administrator, stated that Gale Harris, Commission of the Revenue, has contacted V. R. Shackelford, III, County Attorney, to indicate (in her opinion) the Ordinance for Tax Relief for the Elderly & Handicapped Persons must be amended before March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2009.

V. R. Shackelford, III, County Attorney, stated he will meet with Gale Harris, Commissioner of the Revenue to discuss these concerns as he feels this request is being made in conjunction with the Semi-Annual Tax Ordinance that was recently approved by the Madison County Board of Supervisors.

James L. Arrington stated the existing Ordinance for Tax Relief for the Elderly & Handicapped Persons only benefits a few citizens in Madison County and feels this document needs to be reviewed.

#### **Madison County Planning Commission (Vacancies:**

William L. Crigler asked about the upcoming Madison County Planning

Commission vacancies, to which Lisa Robertson, County Administrator, advised there has been an advertisement placed in the Madison Eagle – a deadline of February 9, 2009 @ 4:00 p.m. has been established in order to allow time for all applicants to submit their applications and the Board to review them at the Regular Meeting on Tuesday, February 10, 2009.

#### IN RE: MINUTES

Chairman, Eddie Dean advised that Minutes #50, #51 and #52 will need to be approved.

After discussion, on motion of James L. Arrington, seconded by Bob Miller, Minutes #50 and #51 are approved as presented, and spread in Minute Book #16, page through page , with the following vote recorded:

Eddie Dean Aye
James L. Arrington Aye
William L. Crigler Aye
Bob Miller Aye
Clark Powers Aye

After discussion, on motion of Bob Miller, seconded by Clark Powers,

Minutes #52 are approved as presented, and spread in Minute Book #16, page through

page , with the following vote recorded:

Eddie Dean Aye
James L. Arrington Aye
William L. Crigler Abstain
Bob Miller Aye
Clark Powers Aye

#### IN RE: PUBLIC COMMENT

Chairman, Eddie Dean opened the floor for Public Comment.

Douglas A. Fargo of Greene County, Virginia (former US Army Major) was present to provide some insight about the Resolution being presented today for approval regarding naming the bridge on Route 29 between Greene and Madison Counties that is situated over the Rapidan River, as being submitted by Delegate Rob Bell.

Douglas Fargo (father of Adam J. Fargo) stated there precedence for bridge naming a while back for fallen heroes as recently identified in Augusta County; he also stated today's request; he stated he also met with another parent (Ms. Andino [mother of Edwin (EJ) Andino] along with Delegate Bell to petition for an endorsement

from Greene County Administrator few months ago for the aforementioned request; it was felt this bridge would be an appropriate place to honor Edwin (EJ) Andino and Adam J. Fargo, as both were students in Greene and Madison Counties respectively. He stated the original proposal to Greene County (although not yet approved) called for the bridge to be named "The Fallen Heroes Memorial Bridge" and list as many names as desired by the localities (i.e. present/future);

Additionally, Douglas Fargo has advised that he has agreed to fully fund the procedure, however, the Virginia Department of Transportation has recently advised the department will not approve the renaming of the bridge unless it is specifically named for an "Individual" or "Individuals." He also stated according to the recommendation being proposed by the Virginia Department of Transportation, if there are any future changes to the renaming of the bridge, the process will have to be re-visited with an amendment being proposed to the original Resolution to add names (if desired) and get another endorsement from Greene & Madison Counties respectively, have a new sign made; and have the funds (or someone) to commit to fund the request.

In closing, Douglas Fargo thanked the Board for allowing him the opportunity to provide a little insight and to answer questions.

Chairman, Eddie Dean thanked Douglas Fargo for attending and for the update on why the change was incorporated (on behalf of the Virginia Department of Transportation.

In closing, Chairman, Eddie Dean advised the Board will make a decision at the 7:30 p.m. session.

Bob Miller wanted to clarify there have only been two (2) service members to fall during the existing conflict, to which Douglas A. Fargo advised was correct – it appears that his son, Adam J. Fargo and Edwin (EJ) Andino are the only two (2) young men that have fallen in since the initiation of the Gulf War, Iraqi Conflict and the war in Afghanistan.

Bob Miller asked if the original proposal was for the bridge to only be named for individuals involved in the three (3) aforementioned conflicts, to which Douglas Fargo advised his original proposal was to name the bridge "The Fallen Heroes Memorial Bridge" and list the name(s) of all fallen heroes that Greene and Madison Counties

desired to name with the recommendation of including Cpl. Adam J. Fargo and PFC Edwin (EJ) Andino as being the first two names listed and include the future option for other names to be added as appropriate; however, the Virginia Department of Transportation has not agreed to the latter part of the proposal.

Chairman, Eddie Dean advised it was unknown as to what the best solution is for the request, although it appears the aforementioned request by Douglas A. Fargo was more suitable; however, there are the desires of the Virginia Department of Transportation to consider – it might be best to make a recommendation and let the State of Virginia dictate what can or cannot be requested regarding this proposal

#### **Legislative Day:**

Lisa Robertson, County Administrator, advised that an email has been forwarded to all Madison County Board of Supervisors members asking is anyone is interested in attending Legislative Day scheduled in Richmond, Virginia on Thursday, February 5, 2009 @ 6:30 p.m. – Culpeper County is hosting the event this year; any members who desire to attend are asked to advise Jacqueline Frye, Board Secretary, within the next few days so space can be reserved.

Chairman, Eddie Dean announced that today is Lisa Roberson's (County Administrator) birthday.

## \*CLARK POWERS WAS ABSENT FROM THE EVENING SESSION\*

7:30 P.M.: Meeting reconvened with Chairman, Eddie Dean calling the meeting to order and noted that Clark Powers will be absent from the evening session.

#### IN RE: PUBLIC COMMENT

Chairman, Eddie Dean called the meeting to order and opened the floor for regular public comment on topics other than the FY 2010 Budget.

Bill Campbell was present and verbalized concerns on the earlier discussion about deputizing for an Assistant Zoning Administrator; he questioned the urgency to push this issue, why these individuals aren't trained, and whether they will be compensated (as has been the practice in the past); additionally, he questioned if these

individual would be asked to assist with the Madison Parks & Recreation (to cut grass) would a Resolution also be required for them to be allowed to assist in other County capacities.

#### IN RE: PUBLIC HEARING (CITIZEN INPUT ON FY 2010 BUDGET)

Chairman, Eddie Dean opened the floor for citizen input on the FY2010 Budget; he advised there have been comments indicating the FY2010 budget has been posted on the County's website which is incorrect as there has been no budget prepared to date; the website only contains the FY2009 budget.

Additionally, Chairman, Eddie Dean advised the purpose of tonight's meeting is to provide the County with budgetary input prior to any portion of the FY2010 having already been constructed; he asked that all comments he held to a five-minute limit and that any second comments be held to three minutes; however, he has asked that all desiring to speak be allowed to do so before anyone approaches the microphone to make a second comment.

Lisa Robertson, County Administrator, provided a brief overview of the revenue in the current budget (July through December 2008) and advised there changes noted in the revenue section from the federal government (i.e. local sales tax, meals tax, and a reduction in comp board reimbursement for personnel); she also stated that all Department Heads were asked to be careful with spending funds (which has been done); several County contracts were re-bid (i.e. office cleaning) in order to yield a savings; the Kemper Mansion project contract was \$40,000.00 cheaper than originally bid; three (3) County positions were eliminated and reorganization was implemented at the Madison County Animal Shelter & Madison County Animal Control, which reduced costs; however, more work is still needed. In closing, she feels the greatest task will be to allocate all future funds as carefully as possible.

Lisa Robertson, County Administrator also provided a breakdown of areas and percentages of which County funds are utilized:

Madison County Schools -50%

Public Safety- 12%

Social Services – 6.5<sup>^</sup>

Public Works – 4%

Additionally, she also stated the stated has verbalized school funding will be reduced by \$900,000.00 so local dollars will need to be used to fund this shortage; additionally, the Madison County Sheriff's Department is due to replacement vehicles (i.e. rotation schedule) and there have been reductions from the Compensation Board; also, there will be costs associated with the Central Virginia Regional Jail (for the first time) of about \$200,000.00- the County will need to look at how the revenue of \$378,000.00 (1% of the existing budget) can be allocated.

Brian Duncan, Executive Director of the Rappahannock-Rapidan Commuity Services Board, was present and provided an overview of priority areas in which Madison County citizens benefit from the services being provided by the RRCSB.

Frank D'Amico was present and stressed that although times are tough, the County should look to the future and fully tourism in Madison County (i.e. must spend money in order to make money); he feels there is much to be gained through tourism in the County and recommended the Madison Tourism Office be funded to the needed level as requested.

Chris Miller of Aging Together, was present and focused on the needs of the aging seniors residing in Madison County and the future needs for safe travel, transportation and affordable housing for these citizens; she also provided an overview of the services being offered to local senior citizens (i.e. free prescription services for those who don't have insurance; caregiver support services, planned events) and in closing, she thanked the Board for their continued support.

Herbert Putz was present and spoke on behalf of the local farmers and livestock owners; he also commented on the low rates being offered for cattle despite the rising costs of feeding/caring for these animals and also feels that funds should be built into the County's budget to keep help the farmers, provide better services and provide for the infrastructure; he doesn't feel the services being provided to the community have improved although the total budget has continued to increase; he commented on costs associated with the Finance Department, Animal Shelter and asked what was being done to look at the existing cost factor as well as for justification for all the noted increases; also commented he feels that capital improvement concerns should be voted on the

County ballot as all taxpayers should have the right to decide what is wanted or most needed to benefit the County.

Frank Steadman was in agreement with comments made by Herbert Putz hopes when establishing the tax rate, the Madison County Board of Supervisors keeps in mind the economics of the real world – the federal government has engaged in an extravagant spending program and feels local program will be funded by the working citizens of Madison County and not the federal government; additionally, there have been sizeable layoffs at local business (i.e. Plow & Hearth) and many are struggling with the costs of health care and cannot afford further tax increases at the local level – he also feels the County employees have shared in the good times and should also share in the less fortunate of times.

Pete Elliott was present and commented on cuts that were mentioned by the representative from the Virginia Department of Transportation during the first session; he also comments on the reduction of state funds that will effect the Madison County School System; he stressed the importance of maintaining the schools and feels the County will definitely have shortfall that will need to be made up somehow; therefore, he feels that local taxes will have to increase in order to cover the shortage of funds – if taxes must increase, please take care of the school kids and seniors – he feels there a lot of areas in which cuts can be incorporated so as to not impose such a significant tax increase on the local citizens.

Marty McGerttrick was present and commented on the budget that was published on the County's website, to which Chairman, Eddie Dean stated the figures were derived from the FY2009 budget.

Bill Campbell returned to verbalize concerns on the Ordinance for Semi Annual Collection of real estate taxes and asked whether the tax rate will be set and whether the rate will effect the June tax bills, to which Chairman, Eddie Dean advised the December 2008 tax bills was for the tax rate established through December 31, 2008; however, the 2009 tax bills will be collected at an established rate for the six months from January 1, 2009 through June 30, 2009.

Chairman, Eddie Dean also advised the fiscal year and tax collection year are not the same (i.e. tax year is the calendar year and the fiscal year runs from July 1<sup>st</sup> to June 30<sup>th</sup>).

Frank Steadman advised it appears the County is collecting tax bills six (6) months in arrears (i.e. January through June), to which Chairman, Eddie Dean advised the funds collected during the aforementioned period will be for the fiscal year that begins July 1, 2009.

Chairman, Eddie Dean stated the taxes are based for the period of January through the end of December; however, funds collected in June 2009 will be incorporated into the budget starting July 1, 2009.

Frank Steadman asked for reaffirmation that the budget year and fiscal year are not the same, to which Chairman, Eddie Dean advised was correct.

Christopher Martino was present and commented on prioritizing and the amount of money that is needed; he also stated there are shortfalls on ever level and feels there shouldn't be any increases on any level – he also stated there has not been an clarification on funding that has been spent in past years which has ultimately caused a loss of focus as to how much money is actually needed; he commented on budgets during the past several years and the significant increase noted during the past decade which he feels came from those sitting residing on the Madison County Board of Supervisors. In closing, he stressed the need to attract more ways to increase revenue within Madison County; he also stated he had a private appraisal performed on his own and discovered his property was reassessed too high – he strongly feels the County needs to hold the line on "out of control spending."

Leri Thomas was present and questioned fiscal year versus budget year and questioned which budget taxes collected in June will be allocated to, to which Chairman, Eddie Dean advised these funds will be incorporated into the budget for June 30, 2009. Additionally, she asked if the County was borrowing on future tax collections, to which Chairman, Eddie Dean advised was correct.

Additionally, Leri Thomas asked where tax funds came from that were being utilized from June through December, to which Chairman, Eddie Dean stated these were funds collected the previous year. Furthermore, she commented the position of

Economic Developer and whether this position was fully funded by Madison County or the State of Virginia; she feels an Industrial Park is needed in Madison County as there is no growth in the County's infrastructure; also doesn't feel making money by tourism is very reliable and also asked about pay for the future Deputy Zoning Administrator position and what services are provided for the significant zoning permit fees that are being charged to citizens.

Bill Campbell returned again with a follow up question regarding fiscal year versus budget year; he asked about raises that were incorporated last year that had been passed in December but were noted they were already passed prior – he wonders how this could've been so if the year actually began in July.

Chairman, Eddie Dean stated the budget is an estimate of expenditures during a fiscal year; however, there are generally changes and amendments made on a very regular basis as there is no way to predict a lot of things; therefore, the salary increases were changes that were incorporated in that manner.

Waller Jenkins was present and stated he hopes the Madison County Board of Supervisors has listened to comments better tonight than was demonstrated during the Public Hearing held to discuss the Semi Annual Collection of Taxes; he also commented on the eleven (11) non-usable soccer fields in Madison County.

Pete Elliott returned again and questioned whether the new tax rate will be established before the June 2009 tax collection, and if so, will this new tax rate be imposed for the June 2009 tax collection, to which Chairman, Eddie Dean advised was yes; however, this will also be the same rate that is applied to the December 2009 tax bill.

Leri Thomas returned to ask about funds collected in June 2009 will be incorporated into the budget in July 2009, where did the County attain funds last June to go into the previous years budget, to which Chairman, Eddie Dean advised was collected for the entire year in December 2008. She then commented as to where funds were received six (6) months prior – she feels the County is collecting finds six (6) months in advance to take care of a fiscal year that funds should already be in place – she feels the County is operating on borrowed time.

Chairman, Eddie Dean stated the County operated on a slim amount of funds from July 1, 2008 through mid November 2008 and that most funds being utilized were

were from state reimbursement, as local funds wouldn't be available until December 2008; he also advised the (local funds) – the only funds borrowed were the funds being utilized for the Courthouse Capital Project.

Corrie Clemico was present on behalf of the Madison Education Association; she commented on the state funding cuts and advised the Association realizes the impact that fiscal cuts will have on all governmental agencies – although the Association fully acknowledges the necessity of budgetary cuts at will, there will be a significant impact on student academic achievement (i.e. resulting from support staff reduction and student/teacher ratio), and will also make if difficult to attain the goals as defined in the "No Child Left Behind" policy. In closing, she asked the County to strive to do it's best to find a way to fund the schools request for approximately \$66,000.00 un an effort to

Florence Harris was present and stated there is much frustration being verbalized by those in attendance tonight; she understands the concerns of the local citizens with regard to the various taxes the citizens are dealing with; however, it appears incomes will not increase and she wonders if the local government really listens to the local taxpayers; she stated the locality where she resident (Maryland) there was a referendum presented to the voters to place a "ceiling" on taxes for a determined amount of years – she wonders if Madison County is ready for this type of guideline to be in place as citizens can't be 'over taxed.'

Chairman, Eddie Dean thanked all for attending tonight's Public Hearing hopes the County can devise a "bare bones" budget for FY2010; he also commented on the Capital Improvement Plan for the past year and proposed funds that will be in the plan for the upcoming year (\$2,800) with part of these funds being committed for the Courthouse Project; additionally, the County is trying to hold jobs (no salary increases) and the County will be encouraging the Central Virginia Regional Jail to follow suite with Madison County in holding salaries in hopes the proposed jail funding increase will not be required.

In closing, Chairman, Eddie Dean stated it will be a very tough year and although there cannot be a promise of no increase in taxes; however, if there is a proposed increase it will be as small as possible – the County is looking at all (and any) ways in which reductions can be implemented. Additionally, he commented the Madison

County School System on their approach (i.e. eliminating construction funds) and feels their ideas weigh much significance (decrease in enrollment) and also feels the State of Virginia is setting the burden of funding on the localities rather than accepting the budget.

Chairman, Eddie Dean stated there will be two (2) more Public Hearings on the FY2010 Budget and encouraged citizens to attend.

With no further comments being made, Chairman, Eddie Dean closed the Public Hearing and also stated the County is looking to adopt the FY2010 Budget in April 2009 and a new tax rate will be established at that time.

## IN RE: ENDORSEMENT OF RESOLUTION PROPOSED BY DELEGATE ROB BELL

Chairman, Eddie Dean stated the Board will need to finish discussion about the Endorsement of a Resolution to rename the bridge on Route 29 between Greene and Madison Counties.

Douglas Fargo was present and stated the existing bridge does not have a name; he also advised that Delegate Rob Bell has rewritten the Resolution to request the bridge now be name "The Fallen Heroes Memorial Bridge In Honor of Cpl. Adam J. Fargo and PFC Edwin A. Andino" which does leave room for future names to be added (if needed); he also stated there was agreement with the fact that the previous Resolution would need to be amended if approved and whomever would be requesting the change would be financially responsible. In closing, he advised the Virginia Department of Transportation will not assume financial responsibility but requests this be met by the family (ies) or localities seeking updates. He also advised that Greene County has approved the Resolution as amended and presented.

Lisa Robertson, County Administrator, advised the changes that have been implemented are consisted with information noted on the Virginia Department of Transportations' website with regard to "naming bridges" - she feels that whatever the Virginia Department of Transportation is recommending will perhaps cause the legislators to implement some influence in changing the criteria involved in order to approve this request during the session.

# RESOLUTION REQUESTING THAT THE BRIDGE OVER THE RAPIDAN RIVER BETWEEN MADISON AND GREENE COUNTIES BE NAMED THE "FALLEN HEROES MEMORIAL BRIDGE"

WHEREAS, Virginia has a rich tradition of military service; and

**WHEREAS,** Ruckersville resident United States Army Corporal Adam Fargo was killed serving his Country in the line of duty in Iraq on July 22, 2006; and

**WHEREAS,** Adam Fargo graduated in 2002 from William Monroe High School in Greene County,

**WHEREAS,** as a Private First Class, Corporal Fargo was awarded a combat medic badge, a coveted award for valiant service in the line of duty; he was promoted to Specialist, laterally promoted to Corporal, as well as posthumously honored with the Bronze Star, the Purple Heart, and the Good Conduct Medal; and

**WHEREAS,** Private First Class Edwin Anthony Andino II died in the line of duty in Baghdad, Iraq, on September 3, 2006; and

**WHEREAS,** Edwin "E.J." Andino graduated from Madison County High School in 2001; and

WHEREAS, E. J. Andino was awarded the Army Achievement Medal and promoted to Private First Class after excelling in training at Fort Knox, Kentucky, and was honored posthumously with the Purple Heart and Bronze Star with Combat "V"; and

**WHEREAS**, our community remembers and honors the sacrifices of Corporal Fargo, Private First Class Andino, and those like them who give their lives in service of others and their Country; and

**WHEREAS**, the Family and Friends of Adam Fargo have agreed to pay the cost and expense incident to the placement of appropriate markers;

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY** the Madison County Board of Supervisors the bridge crossing the Rapidan River on Route 29 connecting Greene County with Madison County be named the "Fallen Heroes Memorial Bridge" in honor of Adam J. Fargo and Edwin A. Andino, and others like them who have given their lives in service of their Country.

**ENACTED** this 13<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2009, on motion of James L. Arrington, seconded by William L. Crigler.

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#### Eddie Dean, Chairman Madison County Board of Supervisors

	Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
Eddie Dean	X	<del></del>		
James L. Arrington	X			
William L. Crigler	X			
Bob Miller	<del></del>	X		
Clark Powers	<u> </u>			
Attest:				
Lisa A. Robertson, Cler	k			
Madison County Board	of Superviso	ors		

After discussion, on motion of James L. Arrington, seconded by William L. Crigler, the Board voted to approve the Resolution to rename the bridge on Route 29 between Greene and Madison Counties that crosses the Rapidan River be named "The Fallen Heroes Memorial Bridge" in honor Corporal Adam J. Fargo and Private First Class Edwin A. Andino, with the following vote recorded:

Eddie Dean	Aye
James L. Arrington	Aye
William L. Crigler	Aye
Bob Miller	Nay
Clark Powers	Aye

Chairman, Eddie Dean stated he does have concerns about just denoting two (2) names and feels that Madison County will be obligated in the future if another tragic event occurs similar to the loss of these two (2) servicemen; however, he feels these young men have made the supreme sacrifice for their Country.

On behalf of both families involved, Douglas Fargo thanked the Madison County Board of Supervisors for approving the Resolution as presented.

With no further action being required by the Board, on motion of James L. Arrington, seconded by William L. Crigler, Chairman, Eddie Dean adjourned the meeting, with the following vote recorded:

Eddie Dean	Aye
James L. Arrington	Aye
William L. Crigler	Aye

Bob Miller Aye Clark Powers Aye

Date: January 14, 2009